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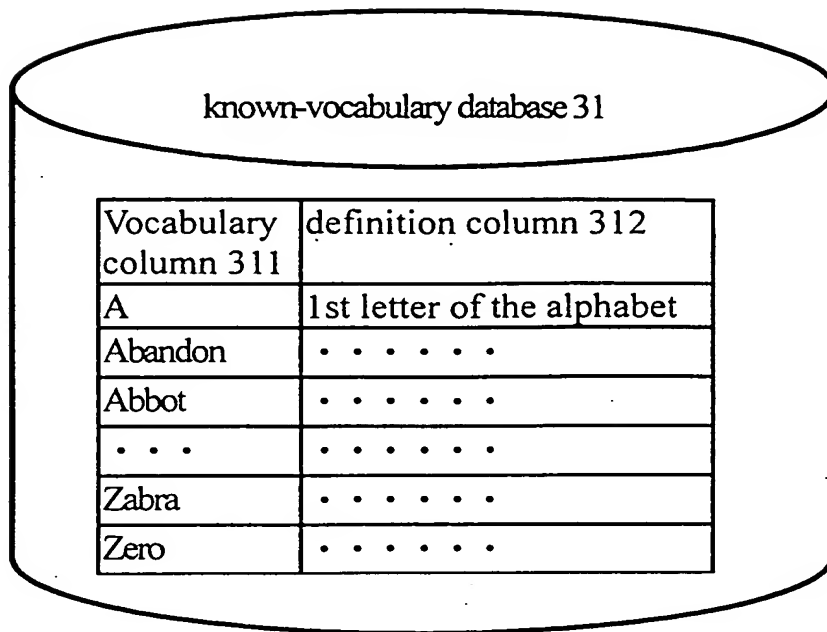


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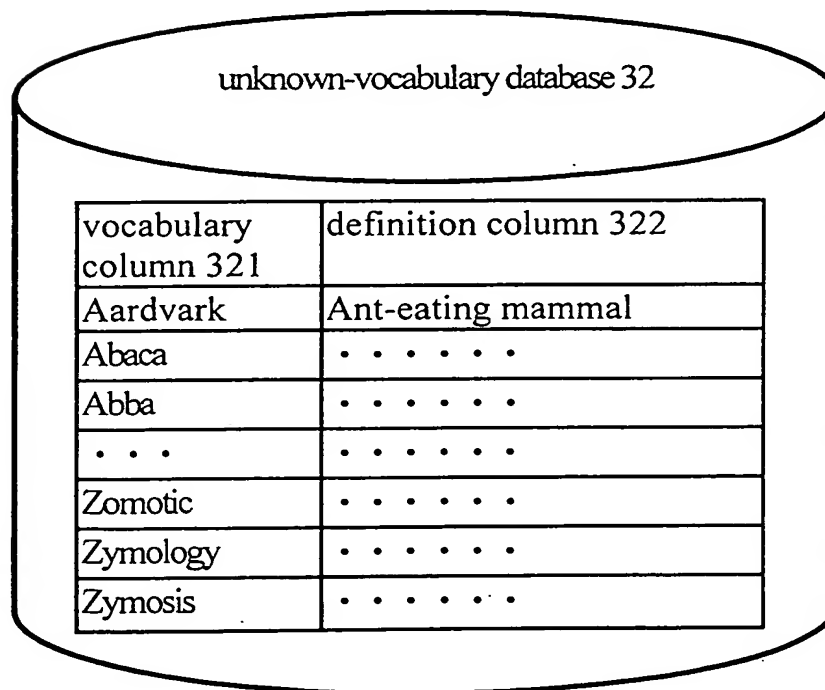


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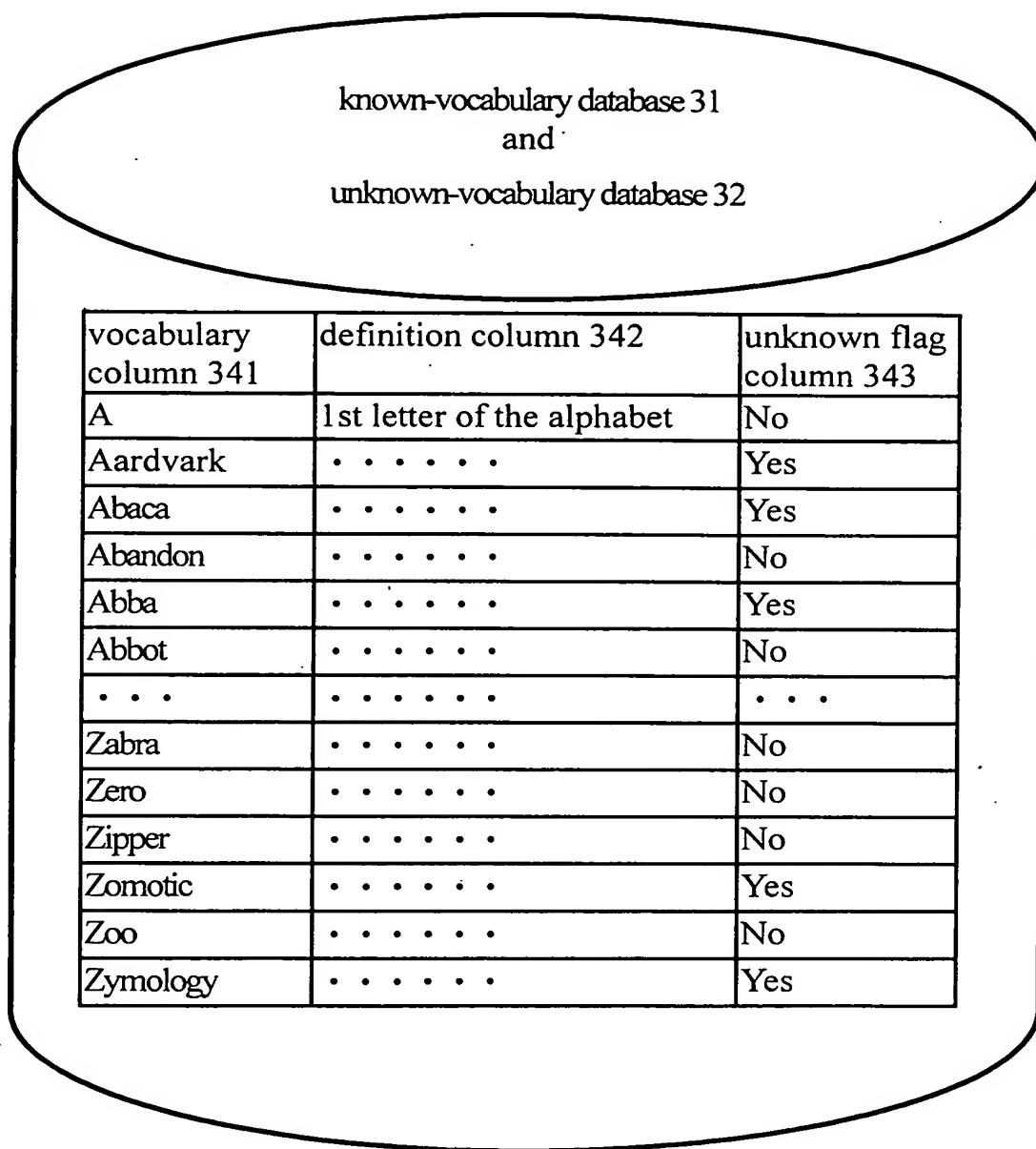


Fig. 4

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and
unknown-vocabulary database 32

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Aardvark	Yes	Yes
Abaca	Yes	No
Abandon	No	No
Abba	Yes	Yes
Abbot	No	Yes
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Zabra	No	Yes
Zero	No	No
Zipper	No	No
Zomotic	Yes	Yes
Zoo	No	No
Zymology	Yes	No
Zymosis	Yes	

Fig. 4A

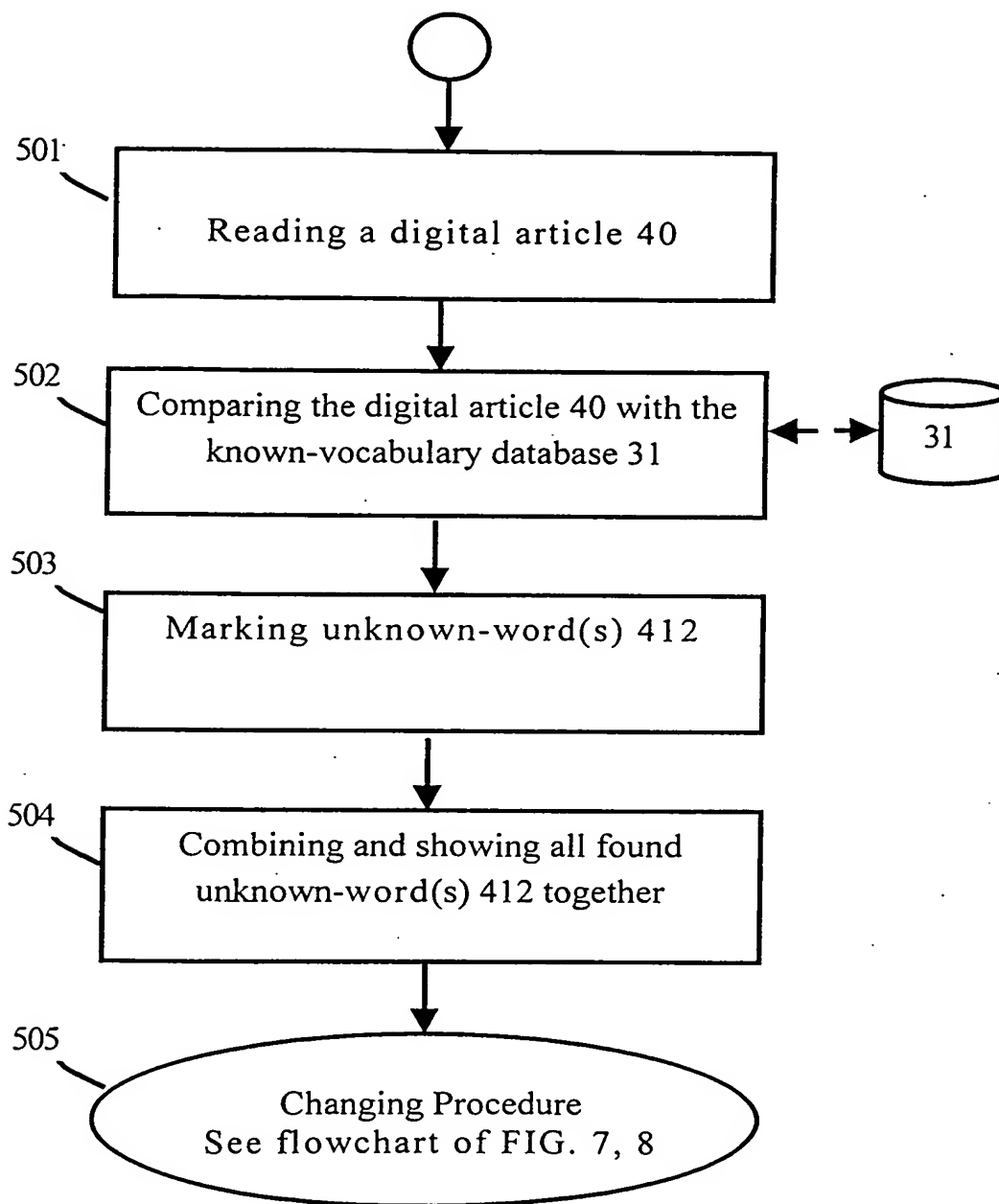


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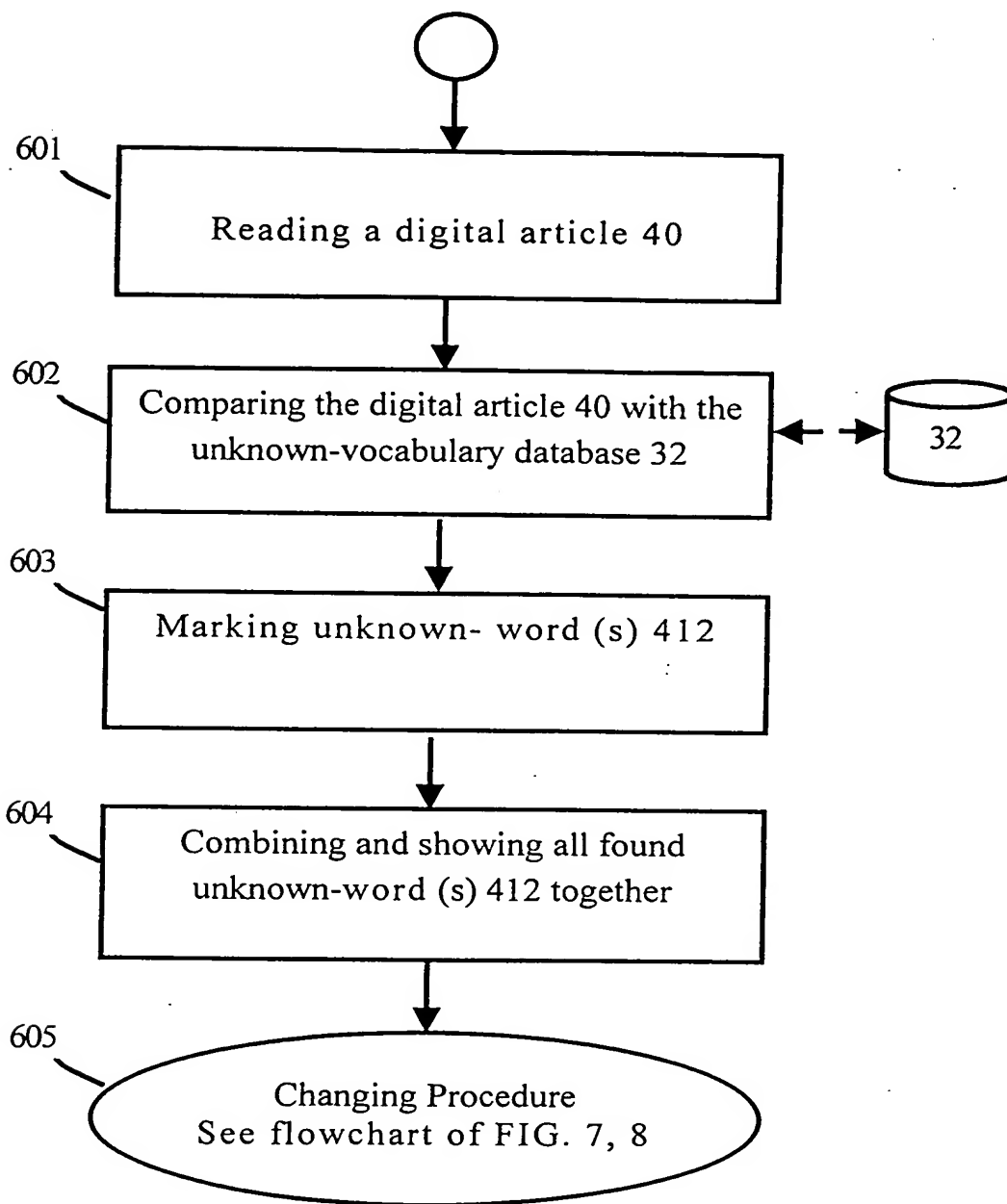


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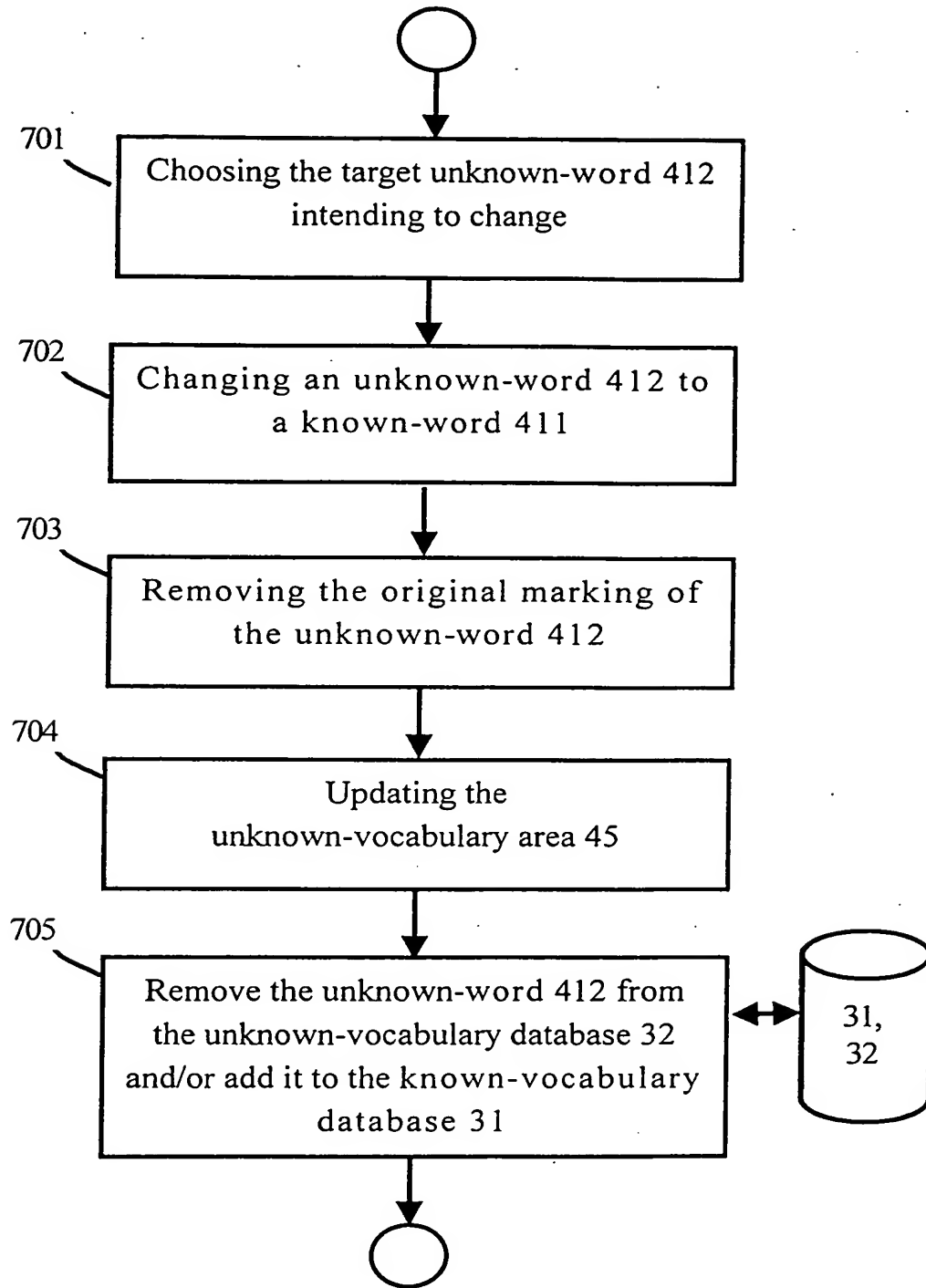


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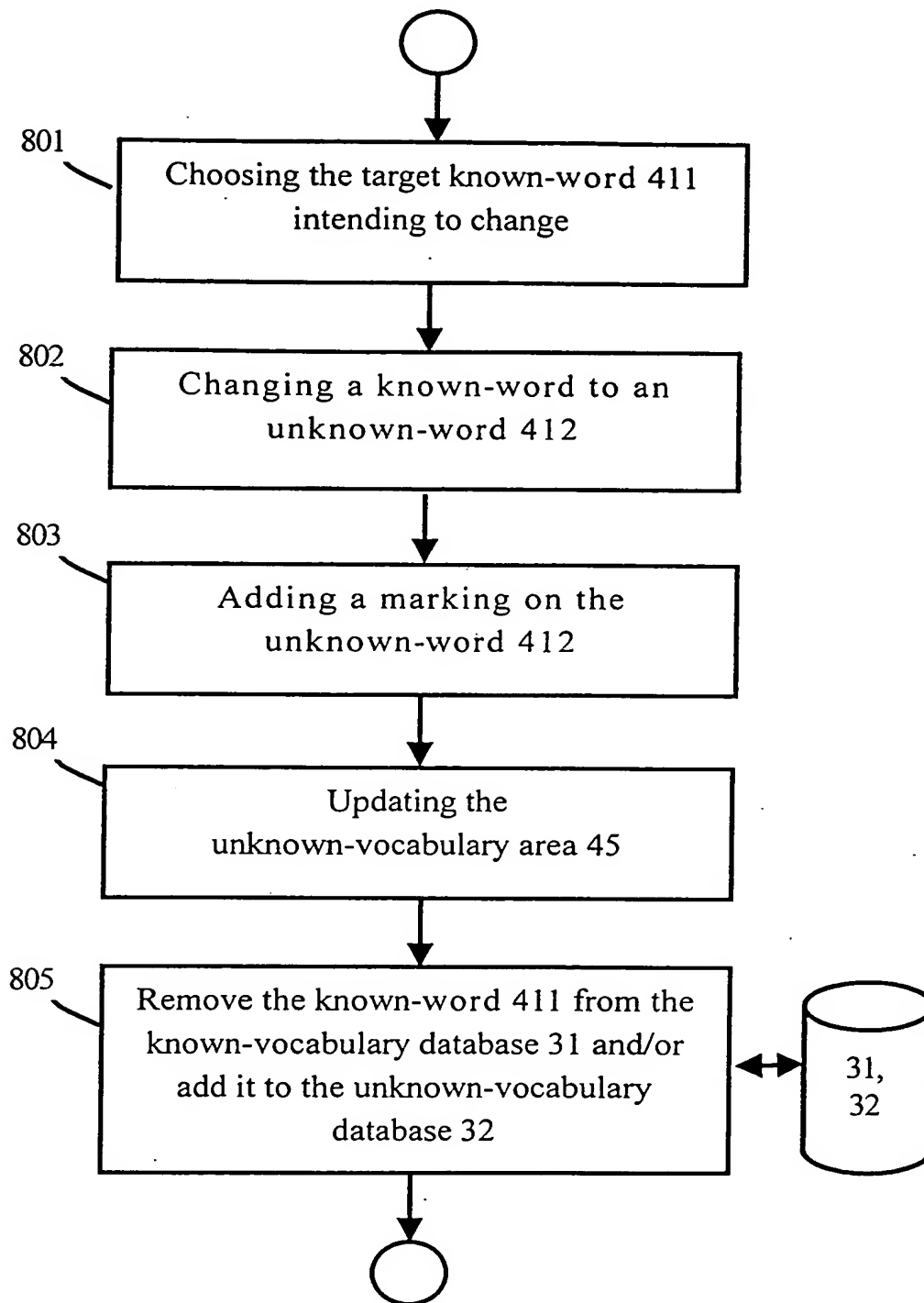


Fig. 8

New Vocabulary

Neurons: 412 nerve cell

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Encoded: convert into code

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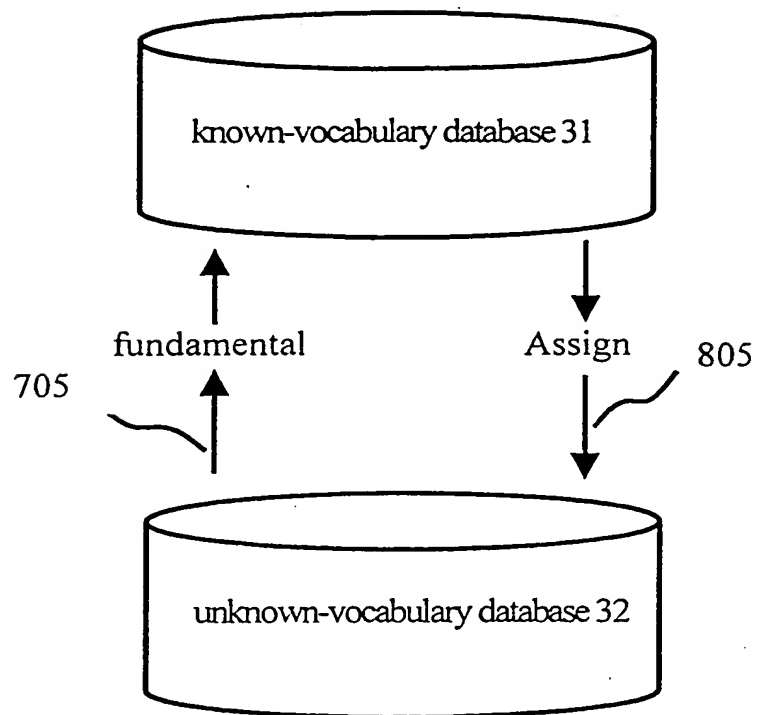


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